

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. **(Currently Amended).** A solar cell module comprising:
 - a front surface protecting layer,
 - a rear surface protecting layer opposite the front surface protecting layer,
 - a sealing resin provided between the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer, and
 - a plurality of solar cells disposed between the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer and embedded within the sealing resin, and
 - a moisture-proof resin film embedded within the sealing resin and disposed between the front surface protecting layer and the plurality of solar cells surrounded on all sides by,
 - wherein all surfaces of the resin film are surrounded by and in contact with the sealing resin,
 - wherein only the sealing resin is disposed between an upper surface of the plurality of solar cells and a lower surface of the resin film, between the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer, the resin film being formed between the solar cells and the front surface protecting,
 - wherein the resin film is smaller in size than an overlaying area of the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer,
 - wherein the resin film is formed to overlay an area including an array of the plurality of solar cells, and
 - wherein the resin film is formed so as to cover an area as large as or larger than the area of the array of the solar cells.

2. **(Original)** The solar cell module according to claim 1,
wherein the front surface protecting layer is a glass plate and the rear surface
protecting layer is a transparent resin film.
3. **(Previously Presented)** The solar cell module according to claim 1,
wherein the resin film is a film which is previously heat-shrunk or a film having a
heat shrinkage rate of 1.0% or lower.
4. **(Previously Presented)** The solar cell module according to claim 2,
wherein the rear surface protecting layer is a film which is previously heat-shrunk
or a film having a heat shrinkage rate of 1.0% or lower.
5. **(Original)** The solar cell module according to claim 1,
wherein the resin film is formed inside from an edge of the overlaying area of
both of the protecting layers.
6. **(Original)** The solar cell module according to claim 3,
wherein the resin film is formed inside by at least 3 mm from the edge of the
overlaying area of the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting
layer.
7. **(Currently Amended)** The solar cell module according to claim 2,
wherein the resin film is overlaid on an area including at least the array of the
plurality of solar cells within the overlaying area of the front surface protecting layer and
the rear surface protecting layer.
8. **(Currently Amended)** The solar cell module according to claim 1,
wherein the front surface protecting layer is a glass plate, the rear surface
protecting layer is a metal plate, another resin film is formed between the solar cells and
the rear surface protecting layer, and ~~is overlaid on overlays~~ an area including at least

the solar cells and a wiring of the cells within the overlaying area of the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer.

9. **(Previously Presented)** The solar cell module according to claim 8, wherein protruded wiring is covered with an insulating tape.

10. **(Currently Amended)** A solar cell module comprising:
a front surface protecting layer,
a rear surface protecting layer opposite the front surface protecting layer,
a sealing resin provided between the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer, and

a solar cell disposed between the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer and embedded within the sealing resin, and
a resin film embedded within the sealing resin and disposed between the front surface protecting layer and the solar cell,

wherein all surfaces of the resin film are surrounded by and in contact with the sealing resin sealed within sealing resin between the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer, wherein all surfaces of the resin film are covered with the sealing resin,

wherein only the sealing resin is disposed between an upper surface of the solar cell and a lower surface of the resin film,

wherein the resin film is smaller in size than an overlaying area of the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer; and

wherein the resin film is formed so as to cover an area as large as or larger than the area of the solar cell.

11. **(Previously Presented)** The solar cell module according to claim 10,

wherein the front surface protecting layer is a glass plate and the rear surface protecting layer is a transparent resin film.

12. **(Previously Presented)** The solar cell module according to claim 10, wherein the resin film is a film which is previously heat-shrunk or a film having a heat shrinkage rate of 1.0% or lower.

13. **(Previously Presented)** The solar cell module according to claim 11, wherein the rear surface protecting layer is a film which is previously heat-shrunk or a film having a heat shrinkage rate of 1.0% or lower.

14. **(Previously Presented)** The solar cell module according to claim 10, wherein the resin film is formed inside from an edge of the overlaying area of both of the protecting layers.

15. **(Previously Presented)** The solar cell module according to claim 12, wherein the resin film is formed inside by at least 3 mm from the edge of the overlaying area of the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer.

16. **(Previously Presented)** The solar cell module according to claim 11, wherein the resin film is overlaid on an area including at least the solar cell within the overlaying area of the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer.

17. **(Currently Amended)** The solar cell module according to claim 10, wherein the front surface protecting layer is a glass plate, the rear surface protecting layer is a metal plate, another resin film is formed between the solar cell and the rear surface protecting layer, and ~~is overlaid on~~ overlays an area including at least

the solar cell and a wiring of the cell within the overlaying area of the front surface protecting layer and the rear surface protecting layer.

18. **(Previously Presented)** The solar cell module according to claim 17, wherein protruded wiring is covered with an insulating tape.

19. **(New)** The solar cell module according to claim 1, wherein only sealing resin is disposed between a lower surface of the front surface protecting layer and an upper surface of the resin film.

20. **(New)** The solar cell module according to claim 10, wherein only sealing resin is disposed between a lower surface of the front surface protecting layer and an upper surface of the resin film.